

I'm concerned about Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary, without balancing it with anti-Bush or pro-Kerry programming, days before the election. To me this is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies such as Fox and Sinclair control the airwaves, political opinion and persuasion are packaged as news, misinforming the public.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.